

IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims below will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently amended): A method of making a dry powder composition for pulmonary inhalation, the method comprising spray drying a pharmaceutically active agent in a spray dryer to produce active particles, wherein the step of spray drying further includes producing droplets moving at a controlled velocity, wherein the active agent is co-spray dried with a force control agent which has hydrophobic moieties, the force control agent being concentrated on the surface of the particles, wherein the active agent comprises 90-98% w/w heparin and the force control agent is 2-10% w/w leucine, ~~and~~ wherein the composition ~~exhibits~~ has a fine particle fraction (<5 μ m) ~~(metered dose)~~ of at least 40% and wherein the powder has a tapped density of at least 0.5 g/cc of between 40 and 70%.

Claim 2 (Canceled):.

Claim 3-5 (Canceled):

Claim 6 (Previously presented): A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein 90% of the resulting dried particles have a size of less than 5 μ m, as measured by laser diffraction.

Claim 7 (Previously presented): A method as claimed in claim 6, wherein 90% of the resulting dried particles have a size of less than 2.5 μ m, as measured by laser diffraction.

Claim 8-10 (Canceled):

Claim 11 (Previously presented): A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein a blend of active agent and force control agent is spray dried, and the blend is a solution

Claim 12 (Previously presented): A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein a blend of active agent and force control agent is spray dried, and the blend is a suspension.

Claim 13 (Previously presented): A method as claimed in claim 11, wherein the active agent and force control agent are spray dried from an aqueous solution or suspension

Claim 14 (Previously presented): A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the active agent is co-spray dried with a force control agent to produce dry particles comprising up to 20% w/w force control agent.

Claim 15 (Previously presented): A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the method further comprises adjusting the moisture content of the spray dried particles.

Claims 16 to 24 (Canceled).

Claim 25-26 (Canceled):

Claim 26 (Canceled):

Claim 27 (Previously presented): The method of claim 1, wherein the dry powder composition has a fine particle fraction of at least 50%.

Claim 28 (Previously presented): The method of claim 1, wherein the dry powder composition has a fine particle fraction of at least 60%.

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Claim 29 (Previously presented): The method of claim 1, wherein the dry powder composition has a fine particle fraction of at least 70%.